

MOTION BY MAYOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

OCTOBER 25, 2011

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS) DAY – NOVEMBER 16, 2011

WHEREAS, geography has played a defining role in the settlement, history, and cultural heritage of Los Angeles County, our nation, and humanity; and

WHEREAS, the management, use, and exchange of geographic information is essential for effective decision making; and

WHEREAS, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technologies are a powerful tool for supporting emergency services, homeland security, economic development, environmental protection, crime mapping, healthcare, long-range planning, and much more; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to promote GIS awareness, education, and technical training among various groups to appropriately and effectively utilize this rapidly developing technology; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Enterprise GIS Steering Committee coordinates efforts to eliminate duplication, reduce costs, develop standards, and to facilitate the sharing and interchange of GIS data, methods, and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, having a day of GIS activities open to students, citizens, and government leaders will help achieve greater awareness of the benefits of GIS.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Wednesday, November 16, 2011, as “Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Day” in the County of Los Angeles.

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